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PART I.

Notifications by the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

GENERAL AND REVENUE.

No. L. B. (P.) 423, dated 14th October 1903.

The following Notification issued by the Government of Madras, is republished for general information :—

"Whereas there is plague in Ootacamund in the Nilgiri District and whereas it is desirable to prevent its spread.

His Excellency the Governor in Council, in exercise of the powers delegated to him under the Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897, prohibits all mendicants and vagrants from proceeding to or entering or remaining in Ootacamund during the period comprising the latter part of the month of Ramzan and the 1st week in the ensuing month of Shavval, *i.e.*, from the 5th to the 27th December 1903 inclusive, and to prescribe, as a temporary regulation, that, during the period aforesaid, any mendicant or vagrant proceeding or reasonably believed to be proceeding to Ootacamund shall stop at such places and at the direction of such officers and shall remain in such camps as the Collectors of the Nilgiris, Malabar and Coimbatore may, in their discretion, respectively, appoint in this behalf."

No. L. B. (P.) 435, dated 17th October 1903.

The following Notification No. 1485, dated Simla, the 30th September 1903, issued by the Government of India, is republished for general information :—

By the Home Department Notification No. 2278, dated the 25th October 1902, the Governor General in Council, under the powers conferred by Section 2, Sub-Section (1), of the Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897 (III of 1897), directed that pilgrimage to the Hedjaz during the season of 1903 might be permitted to any resident of India, subject to certain precautions, from the ports of Bombay and Karachi in the Presidency of Bombay and of Chitagong in Bengal.

2. One of the precautions adopted during the pilgrim season of 1902 and in preceding years was the collection of all intending pilgrims at a provincial observation camp near their homes where they were detained for at least 10 days, and where their wearing apparel, bedding, etc., was disinfected, previous to their despatch in special trains or carriages to the central camp at or near the ports of embarkation. Experience has shown that it is difficult, if not impossible, to enforce the preliminary period of detention in a provincial camp without resort to stringent measures from which the Government of India are averse. With the concurrence of His Majesty's Government, it has accordingly been decided that during the ensuing pilgrim season no provincial camps for the preliminary observation of pilgrims shall be established and pilgrims shall be permitted to proceed direct to the large camps at the ports of shipment. The Haj will accordingly be open during the ensuing pilgrim season to any resident in India, subject to the Regulations hereinafter stated.

3. The orders contained in the Home Department Notification No. 2278, dated the 25th October 1902, are hereby cancelled.

4. The Governor General in Council is pleased to direct:—

(1) That no person shall be permitted to embark with the object of making a pilgrimage to Mecca except at the port of Bombay in the Presidency of Bombay, and of Chitagong in the Province of Bengal.

(2) That no person shall be permitted to embark for such purpose at such port unless he has been kept under observation in a place appointed for the purpose at or near the port of embarkation until such time as the Medical Officer in charge shall be satisfied that all risk of such person conveying the infection of plague has completely abated.

(3) That no passage tickets for the Hedjaz shall be sold except at the places appointed for the detention of intending pilgrims under observation.

5. Although they have decided that, subject to the foregoing precautions, the pilgrimage to the Hedjaz may be permitted, the Government of India think it necessary to repeat the warning given last year, that intending pilgrims will be well advised in deferring the fulfilment of their purpose until another season, in view especially of the stringent quarantine rules imposed by the Turkish Government and of the inconvenience and harassment to which it is likely that they will be subjected on arriving in Arabia.

No. L. B. (P.) 560, *dated 10th November* 1903.

It is hereby notified for general information that attendance of persons from infected areas at the festival noted below, has been prohibited by the Madras Government:—

Name of jatra—Durga festival, known as Santanakudam festival.
Place—Sivasamudram, a hamlet attached to Sattegal village.
Taluk—Kollegal.
District—Coimbatore.
Date—From 2nd December to 11th December 1903.
Authority—1st Assistant Resident's endorsement No. 1199—P., dated 9th November 1903.

No. L. B. (P.) 565, *dated 11th November* 1903.

It is hereby notified for general information that the places mentioned hereunder in the District of Chitaldrug, which were declared to be infected areas, are removed from the list of such areas as they have remained free for over six months:—

	Place.	*Taluk.*
1.	Burjanhatti, a hamlet attached to Chitaldrug, Town	... Chitaldrug.
2.	Chitaldrug Town	... Do
3.	Madanaikanhalli	... Do
4.	Ayatotalu	... Do
5.	Malebennur	... Harihar (Sub-Taluk).

No. L. B. (P.) 567, *dated 11th November* 1903.

It is hereby notified for general information that the places mentioned hereunder in the District of Chitaldrug will be deemed to be infected areas for the purposes of the Regulation issued with Notifications Nos. 9383—Mis. F. 21-96 and 9384—Mis. F. 21-96, dated the 10th February 1898, issued under the Epidemic Diseases Regulation:—

Place.	*Taluk.*	*Place.*	*Taluk.*
1. Holalkere Town	... Holalkere.	6. Basapur ...	... Davangere.
2. Hanagardi	... Harihar Sub-Tk.	7. Kakkargola ...	... Do
3. Bilsanur	... Do	8. Kalpanahalli ...	... Do
4. Kamalapur	... Do	9. Kogunde ...	... Chitaldrug.
5. Avergola	... Davangere.		